

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a
REGULATION (EEC) OF THE COUNCIL
on the opening, allocation and administration of a
1975 Community tariff quota for dried grapes falling
within subheading No 08.04 B I of the Common Customs
Tariff in immediate containers of a net capacity of
15 kg or less.

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. The draft Regulation annexed hereto concerns the erga omnes Community tariff quota to be opened for 1975 in respect of dried grapes in immediate containers of a net capacity of 15 kg or less falling within subheading No 08.04 B I of the Common Customs Tariff.

Provision was first made for such quota in the trade agreement concluded between the Community and Iran. Since, however, that agreement expired on 30 November 1973 and was not renewed, the Community considered it desirable to open an autonomous tariff quota of 1974, for which purpose the terms and conditions for that agreement were retained (Regulation (EEC) No 3592/73 of 28 December 1973 - OJ No L 365 of 31 December 1973).

At the consultation meeting held on 31 May 1974, the delegations of the Member States pronounced themselves in favour of the opening on 1 January 1975 of an autonomous tariff quota for 10 960 metric tons of dried grapes at a duty of 1.2%, the quota to be allocated among the Member States in proportion to their respective 1973 imports from non-associated third countries.

2. Since the Community tariff quota in question is relatively small compared with total imports into the Community and since all the Member States will undoubtedly exhaust their shares rapidly, a division of the quota into shares allocated definitively to each Member State would not appear to compromise the Community nature of the quota. This solution has been adopted in similar situations in the past.
3. The shares to be allocated on this basis to the Member States, and their respective total 1973 imports from non-associated third countries, are shown in the following table:

(in metric tons)

	<u>Total 1973 imports</u>	<u>Quota share</u>
Benelux	5 275	1 055
Denmark	2 236	447
Germany	15 567	3 113
France	3 811	762
Ireland	855	171
Italy	205	41
United Kingdom	26 859	5 371
	<u>54 808</u>	<u>10 960</u>

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic
Community, and in particular Article 43 thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament;

Whereas a 1975 Community tariff quota for 10 960 metric tons
of dried grapes in immediate containers of a net capacity of
15 kg or less, falling within subheading No 08.04 B I of the
Common Customs Tariff, should be opened at a duty of 1.2%;
whereas the duties to be applied by the new Member States
within the said tariff quota should be calculated in accordance
with the relevant provisions of the Act of Accession;

Whereas, since the quota is relatively small compared with
Community requirements, provision may be made, without
compromising the Community nature of the quota, for a single
allocation of shares among the Member States; whereas,
in view of the requirements forecast by each Member State,
the shares may be allocated as follows:

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Whereas, since the Kingdom of Belgium, the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg are united within and jointly represented by the Benelux Economic Union, any transaction in respect of the administration of the shares allocated to that Economic Union may be carried out by any one of its members;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. There shall be opened within the Community for the period 1 January to 31 December 1975, in respect of dried grapes in immediate containers of a net capacity of 15 kg or less, a Community tariff quota of 10 960 metric tons falling within subheading No 08.04 B I of the Common Customs Tariff.
2. The Common Customs Tariff duty shall be suspended at 1.2%, in respect of importations under the above quota.
3. New Member States shall apply in respect of importations within the quota, duties calculated in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Act of Accession.

Article 2

The tariff quota provided for in Article 1 shall be allocated among the Member States as follows:

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Article 3

1. Every Member State shall take all appropriate measures to ensure that importers of the product in question established in its territory have free access to the share allocated to it.
2. The extent to which a Member State has used up its share shall be determined on the basis of the importations of the product in question entered with the customs authorities for home use.

Article 4

Every Member State shall notify the Commission at regular intervals of the importations actually charged against its share.

Article 5

The Member States and the Commission shall cooperate closely to ensure that this Regulation is complied with.

Article 6

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 1975.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council
The President